



James Cermak

November 11, 1946 - October 7, 2018

James E Cermak "Jim", age 71, of Worthington Ohio, passed into the arms of Jesus at the end of the day, October 6, 2018. He was home and surrounded by many family members whom he loved deeply. Jim served with the 11th Special Forces Group A, both as a Reservist and AGR for 22 years. Jim retired from Dublin City Schools in 2001, where he taught computer science. He enjoyed teaching, and prior to teaching in Dublin, taught math for Columbus City Schools, and River Valley Schools. After retirement, Jim continued teaching computer science at Columbus State Community College, trained poll workers for Franklin County Board of Elections, and served as a stadium usher at The Ohio State University football games.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents; step parents; his brother, Linn; and an infant sister. He will be missed deeply, and is survived by his wife, Kay; daughter, Mona Swartz (Chris); son, James (April); as well as his grandchildren Cayla Cermak (Ben Guay), Josh Cermak, CJ Swartz, Brandon Cermak (Kari), Tyler Cermak (Arica), KayLee Swartz, Zack Swartz, and Seth Blanton. Also surviving Jim are his brother George Cermak (Alison); step-brother Bobby DeVault; great-grandchildren Brandon Cermak, Jr., Cameron Cermak, and Laykin Cermak. He was looking forward to the birth of a fourth great-grandson in November. Many beloved cousins, nieces and nephews, as well as several great-nieces and great nephews survive.

Jim was a graduate of Adena Local High School, Wilmington College and The Ohio State University.

Jim was a member of Orange Friends Church in Lewis Center. He was a lifetime blood donor, and donated 375 units of blood to the American Red Cross over his lifetime.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, October 13, 2018, at 11:30 am at Orange Friends Church, 3460 East Orange Road, Lewis Center Ohio. Pastor Zachary Bohler will officiate. Family will receive friends preceding the service beginning at 10:00 am. Private interment will take place at a later time.

Contributions in lieu of flowers may be made in Jim's memory to either Orange Friends Church, or to the American Red Cross. Arrangements by RUTHERFORD-CORBIN FUNERAL HOME, 515 High Street, Worthington, OH

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT **13**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Orange Friends Church
3467 East Orange Road
Lewis Center, OH 43035

Tribute Wall



“ *James Cermak*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *Dear Kay and family,
Though it has been some time since Jim went to his heavenly home, we want you to know you are in our thoughts and prayers. It's wonderful to have the hope of heaven but there is still that sadness of not having our loved one with us. Jim was a great steady man that will be missed. May the Lord continue to give you hope and peace.
Love and prayers,
Wayne and Regina Evans*

Regina Evans - October 20, 2018 at 10:22 AM



“ *Jim was a dear friend , fellow Christian, and travel companion .
Spent many memorable times together. Thanks for the memories!*

Elizabeth Hart - October 20, 2018 at 02:47 AM



“ *SFC Jim Cermak (RET), I am very thank you and grateful for all the time that we worked together at 2nd BN/11th Special Forces Group (Airborne). Thank you, Ferenc Gayer*

Ferenc Gayer - October 15, 2018 at 11:41 AM

CR

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Carol Rogers - October 11, 2018 at 09:57 AM

MC

“ Our condolences to Jim's family and especially to his brother, George, a friend and classmate. Jim was a great football player as a young man in high school and, from his story above, lived a very happy and satisfying life with a wonderful family as his legacy. May he rest in peace and may you all hold your best memories of him in your hearts forever. Dean and Mary Carter

Mary Nd Dean Carter - October 09, 2018 at 11:02 PM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of James Cermak.



October 09, 2018 at 12:43 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of James Cermak.



October 09, 2018 at 09:10 AM

BK

“ Jim and I were good friend all threw school, was proud to have him as a class mate, I haven't seen him in a long time except for the alumni dinner, may he rest in peace, prayers for his family , sorry for you loss, may god bless you all

Bruce Kasarda

Bruce Kasarda - October 08, 2018 at 11:19 PM

SB

“ Kay and family, I am so sorry that you are going through this. You were such a support for me in February when I lost my mother and I still can't find words to help you. Jim was a new friend to us but I really liked him. I was concerned about this happening at the beginning and I can't even believe it. We were just talking about this at the movie night at church. But our God is a mighty God. Hide yourself in the palm of his hand. Remember I told you when going through this keep looking for God in things. Don't stop doing that. I am praying for you all.

shereda buckingham - October 08, 2018 at 11:02 PM